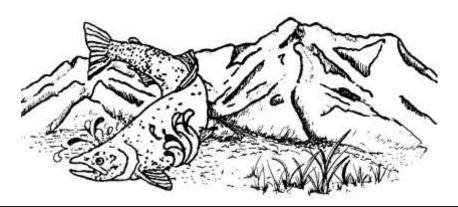
# **WATERSHED NEWS**



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Mill Valley StreamKeepers protecting and restoring our watershed

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## Mill Valley StreamKeepers P.O. Box 2531 Mill Valley, CA 94942

415 388-4187 www.millvalleystreamkeepers.org

MVSK is a partner with the Trees Foundation www.treesfoundation.org

## Meetings:

10:00 am 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday each Month 450 Sycamore Ave., Mill Valley, CA

Look for our Banner: We Love Fish! Valentine's Week, 2012

# April 22, 2012 42nd Earth Day

Our MVSK Work Party: On Saturday April 21 in the morning at the park just downstream from the Marin Theater Company, we will lead a work party for those of you who like to care for the earth. Be a part of Mill Valley's Earth Day Beautification. *Come join us!* 

#### **Online Donations**

When you visit our website you can now make tax deductible donations online and securely at: www.millvalleystreamkeepers.org

This donation site is sponsored by the Trees Foundation.



# Mill Valley, Richardson Bay Watershed

The Mill Valley StreamKeepers board and friends invite you to see yourself as an integral part of the set of processes in dynamic interaction in this small section of the world. This newsletter and our brochure are being mailed to 6,000 households in Mill Valley. We want everyone to be aware of the pleasures and responsibilities of living here.

The brochure tells a bit about our environment and presents some basic guidelines for protecting and restoring the waters of Mill Valley and thus Richardson Bay, and San Francisco Bay. Check out the map and realize that all the streams once teemed with Coho Salmon. Can we bring back this endangered species? The community must work diligently to protect the habitat of the threatened species, Steelhead, which still live in our streams; this may lead to the return of Coho.

Now in our 13<sup>th</sup> year, we are intending to continue our advocacy, educational efforts and expanded stream restoration during the next two years thanks to a \$50,000 grant from the Rockey Fund. Part of this money will be spent in conjunction with Rick Misuraca, MV Parks Superintendent, and Greenwood School students – restoring Miller Grove. This grant will additionally fund a supporting native plants nursery for restoration projects.

Climate change and sea level rise are long term certainties. MVSK's will participate in bay area wide efforts to study and accommodate these changes.

If you wish further information on stream protection, please ask us for a copy of *Fish Friendly Guide* and/or *Creek Care*.

# Our Networking Activity:

## Attending Meetings and Serving on Boards, Committees:

Our own monthly board meetings

MCSTOPPP (Marin County Stormwater Pollution Prevention Program) CAC (Citizens Advisory Committee)

NBWA (North Bay Watershed Association) and NBWC (Council)

MCL (Marin Conservation League) Water Committee, Parks &

Open Space Committee, Climate Committee

Flood Control District #3

SFBJV (San Francisco Bay Joint Venture)

BAWN (Bay Area Watershed Network)

TWG (Technical Work Group) of County led Southern Marin Flood Protection and Watershed Program

#### Friends with:

Friends of Corte Madera Creek Watershed SPAWN (Salmon Protection and Watershed Network) Sustainable Mill Valley Transition Mill Valley

#### Working with and Advising:

The City Planning & Council

Winning further environmental impact investigation on La Goma streamside development

Educating through letters, testimony, letter from environmental lawyer, Michael Graf

City Staff, especially Rick Misuraca

#### Stream Restoration:

Working with Blithedale Canyon Homeowners Association in planting in Miller Grove, Blithedale Canyon.

Supporting Greenwood School restoration in Miller Grove, Blithedale Canyon and supporting establishment of a Native Plant Nursery Clean up and gardening at Park Terrace Park on Earth Day, 2011

#### Educating the Public:

MV Middle School tabling at Public Service Fair Talking with children and adults at Earth Day display in town plaza Tiburon Salmon Institute Kiss & Release Day information

#### Working with People and Responding to Requests

Writing letters

Responding to requests from email and our website

## MVSK seeks volunteers for its Board of Directors.

The MVSK Nominating Committee is initiating its search for new Board members for the term beginning March 2012. Serving on the Board is an exceptional opportunity for MVSK friends to bring their expertise, interest, labor and other resources to collaborate on the many environmental issues which MVSK covers on a regular basis, as well as to participate in fun and informative special events throughout the year. Interested?

## Contact Joyce Britt at 415-388-4187 or www.millvalleystreamkeepers.org



**MV Marsh Area Restorations: Bothin Marsh** Contact Greg Reza, Marin County Open Space, 499-3778 greza@co.marin.ca.us

Terwilliger Marsh

Contact Dede Sabbag, 383-2492

Dede.Sabbag@sbcglobal.net

### Thank You! Grants and Donations to MVSK since December 1, 2010

Cereus Fund. Trees Foundation

Marin County Fish & Wildlife Commission

Outdoor Art Club

Dennis and Carol Ann Rockey Fund

Springcreek Foundation

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Cary & Peggy Rosen

Carrie Sherriff

Brian Spring

Meryl Sundove

Susanne Tilp Ken Waldeck

Wendy Tobiasson & Raoul Wertz

Douglas Wallace

Periann Wood

Ingrid H. Woods

Margaret Zegart

# Please Support Mill Valley StreamKeepers

MVSK is a 100% volunteer non-profit organization working to protect and restore our watersheds. Your help is urgently needed as a volunteer and/or donor. Please return this form or donate online www.millvalleystreamkeepers.org

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